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1. A ROUGH SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL NORWEGIAN TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM
IS PRESENTED IN THE RECENT GOVERNMENT LONG-TERM PROGRAM FOR 1978-82.
THE GOVERNMENT'S MAIN STATED TRANSPORTATION OBJECTIVES ARE TO OPTIMIZE

TRANSPORT SUPPLY AND TO RATIONALIZE THE DISTRIBUTION OF TRAFFIC
BETWEEN VARIOUS MODES. EFFORTS WILL BE MADE TO IMPROVE AND
STRENGTHEN PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SUCH AS RAILROADS, COASTAL
SHIPPING, FERRIES, BUSES, ETC.

2. INVESTMENT IN PUBLIC ROADS IS EXPECTED TO INCREASE FROM 2.5
BILLION KRONER (U.S. DOLLAR 467 MILLION AT ONE DOLLAR EQUALS
NORWEGIAN KRONER 5.25) A YEAR AT PRESENT TO 2.8 BILLION KRONER
(533 MILLION DOLLARS) IN 1982. INVESTMENT IN TRUNK ROADS WILL
INCREASE BY 3 PERCENT A YEAR BETWEEN 1978-82. INVESTMENT IN
RAILROADS, ALL OF WHICH ARE OPERATED BY THE NORWEGIAN STATE
RAILROADS, IS EXPECTED TO INCREASE FROM 0.4 BILLION KRONER
(76 MILLION DOLLARS) A YEAR TO 9.5 BILLION KRONER (95 MILLION
DOLLARS) IN 1982. INVESTMENT IN CIVIL AVIATION IS TO BE KEPT
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CONSTANT AT ABOUT 300 MILLION KRONER (56 MILLION DOLLARS)
THROUGHOUT THE PERIOD. EMPHASIS WILL BE PUT ON INCREASING
AIRPORT CAPACITY AND IMPROVING TECHNICAL STANDARDS. COASTAL
SHIPPING IS NOT MENTIONED IN THE LONG-TERM PLAN, BUT THE
FUTURE OF SCHEDULED PASSENGER/FREIGHT COASTAL SHIPPING
SERVICES WILL HAVE TO BE DECIDED SHORTLY.

3. KEY PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION OFFICIALS:

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AKERSGATEN 42, OSLO; MR. BJORN F. PETTERSEN, UNDER SECRETARY,
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MR. KARL OLSEN DIRECTOR, ROAD DIRECTORATE, SCHWENSENSGATE 3/5,
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